

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Servants- Sericulture Department – Disciplinary action initiated against Sri Ch. Lakshmi Narasaiah, Sericulture Officer - Charges framed – Enquiry conducted – Punishment of stoppage of (3) annual grade increments with cumulative effect imposed by the Commissioner of Sericulture – Preferred appeal before the Government – Appeal rejected – Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (Vig.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No: 949

Dated:01-08-2009.

Read the following:

1. Charge Memo. Rc.No.1359/2003 B1, dated 12-4-2004 of the CoS, A.P. Hyderabad.
2. From Sri Ch.Laxminarasaiah, S.O. defence statement dt. 19-5-2004.
3. Pro.Rc.No.1359/2003 B1 (C), dated 13-7-2004 of the CoS, Hyd.
4. From Lr.Rc.No.975/2002 B1, dated 19-8-2004 of Sri C.Thimma Raju, RJDS, Vizag/Inquiry Authority.
5. From the CoS, Hyd. Memo.Rc.No. 1359/2003-B1 (C), dated 10-3-2005.
6. From Sri Ch.Laxminarasaiah, S.O. Repr., No. F.No.2/2002/Tse/GML, dated 28-3-2005.
7. Pro.Rc.No.1359/2003 B1 (C), dated 20-7-2005 of the CoS, Hyderabad.
8. From Sri Ch.Lakshminarasaiah, SO, appeal petition dated 31-10-2005.
9. Govt. Memo.No.14755/Vig.II(2)/2005-1, dated 21-12-2005.
10. From the CoS, Hyd. Lr.Rc.No.5019/2005 B1 (C), dated 23-7-2009

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ORDER:

In the reference 7th read above, the Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P. Hyderabad awarded a penalty of “stoppage of (3) annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Sri Ch.Lakshmi Narasaiah, Sericulture Officer for committing certain irregularities in implementation of scheme concerning the grounding of sheds under Annual Plan 1997-1998.

2. Aggrieved by the above orders of the Commissioner of Sericulture, in the reference 8th read above, Sri Ch. Lakshmi Narasaiah, Sericulture Officer filed an appeal petition before the Government. In his appeal petition the individual has submitted that it does not concern any financial or administrative fraud to warrant imposition of such a severe penalty of stoppage of three annual increments that too with cumulative (permanent) effect. The so called irregularities do not concern him directly and he was only a cog in a wheel of administration and requested to set aside the penalty imposed by the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad.

3. Government have carefully examined the appeal petition with reference to the original record, inquiry report, and remarks of the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad observed that the articles of charges are very specific as the Inquiry Officer during regular inquiry conducted by him raised. The replies submitted by the Appellant are not very convincing. An approval by Superior officer does not absolve the appellant of his responsibilities of physical verification and proper grounding of scheme. Being a responsible Government employee, the appellant had to ensure that the construction of the shed is completed to the extent of stage prescribed before recommending for release of subsidy. The Appellant has allowed misutilisation of public money and never reported any damage or loss to sheds due to heavy rain as he claimed. He also did not encash the cheques issued to beneficiaries which were having thumb impressions of the beneficiaries and attested by the appellant. These cheques could have been encashed by any person and there is every scope for misuse. Further the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad has imposed the above penalty after a detailed inquiry as prescribed by A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991. As such,

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Government do not found any valid ground to interfere with the orders passed by the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad vide reference 7th read above, and the appeal petition filed by Sri Ch. Lakshmi Narasaiah, Sericulture Officer is hereby rejected.

4. The original records received through the reference 10^h read above are returned herewith to the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad. He is requested to acknowledged the receipt of the same.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**PANKAJ DWIVEDI
APC & SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
Sri Ch. Lakshmi Narasaiah, Sericulture Officer through the
Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P.Hyderabad .

Copy to

The Commissioner of Sericulture,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
SF/SC.

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SECTION OFFICER